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Applicants: Dominique FRECHON et al.

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For: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES FOR THE DETECTION OF
ENTEROHAEMORRHAGIC ESCHERICHIA COLI (EHEC)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-
identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

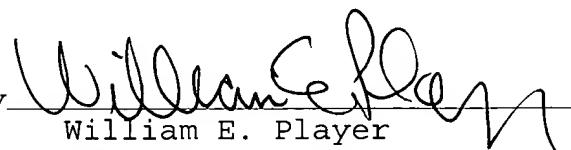
Please CANCEL claims 2-19 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing Preliminary Amendment and early action
on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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